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NEWS SUMMARY.

County.—Feb. 29.—Annual meeting of Roseville Improvement Association. Successes of their effort, as shown from the Secretary's report, are, the construction of a six-foot brick sewer through Sixth Ave., requiring two years' tedious work on the part of the Sewer Committee to secure the passage of the ordinance for its construction. The substitution of new double plumb in cars in place of the old L-b-tail-cars of the Ward St. line, with more frequent trips and better running time, improved service on the Orange St. line, the raising of their railroad station to a first-class station with rates same as Broad St., the improvement of the depot and depot grounds, securing the day service of a police officer at the depot, improvement of the telegraph and express delivery service. And are aiming at the construction of another sewer, reduction of railroad fares. New York, a Public Park, a new Free Station, Public Hall, and location of an Engine House. —29.—Morgan Street Baptist Congregational Church. In the evening, a Yemmer Court Montclair. —March 4.—Wm. A. Hall, former Chief Clerk of Newark Comptroller's Office, who fled to Canada about two years since, being taken in cars in Toronto and brought back, tried and convicted of forgery, was required to plead to seven more indictments, the Supreme Court having decided that he can be tried on them. His counsel (ex-Judge Johnson) having absconded, he was remanded to the jail for one week to procure counsel. —2.—Wm. J. Hutchinson, of the firm of David Moffat & Co. of N. Y., a prominent citizen of Montclair and an Elder of the Presbyterian Church, died at his home, aged 43.—Little Willie, six-year old son of Principal Pendergrass of East Newark Public School, was run over by a train on the D. L. & W. R. R., while crossing the bridge over Harrison Ave., being a foot and otherwise seriously injured. —3.—Overseer of the Poor of Newark reports 1,200 names of applicants for aid, an unusually large number. —Chief Engineer of Fire Department, of Newark reports 28 alarms during past week, 18 for fires and 10 false alarms. —Physician reports death rate at 19.7 per 1,000. —Police Marshal reports 680 arrests for the year, 2732 lodgers at the station house, and 103 licenses granted. —Rev. Charles E. Little, of the Centenary M. E. Church, Newark, accepts a call from Trinity Church, Staten Island. —4.—In answer to a bill filed in the Court of Chancery, Chancellor Runyon granted an order requiring the City of Newark to vacate on Saturday 15th inst., why a petition should not be granted rescinding the City from allowing Broad St. to be used by Hucksers' wagons.

ABOUT TOWN.

Mr. C. N. Bovee, Jr., and family are leaving the month of March in New York City. —The trustees of First Presbyterian Church have given orders for the purchase of the parsonage. —Mr. Willard Richards and family have moved into a suit of rooms at the Park House, where they will remain for two years. —The Park House, next the residence of J. C. Amzi Dodd, is to be painted "white and cream" soon as weather permits. —Copies of last week's CITIZEN may be had free on application by any one who is interested in town affairs to distribute them. —The Young People's Literary Society of the Baptist and Methodist Churches are holding no meetings during the special church services. —Honorable Maxwell has been on the sick bed for several days, and has just recovered from an attack of pneumonia; he is able to go out now, but has not yet resumed his duties. —A curiosity is now on exhibition at the Park House. It is a fireman's hat described "Bingo's" Hat. The Company No. 1 and occupies a conspicuous place in the truck. Ah! ah! ah! —Mr. Aaron E. Hestrest, of the Newark firm of Hestrest & Harrison, is now at Troy, N. Y., where he has been

detained by a severe sickness for several weeks. His many friends will be pleased to learn that he is slowly improving.

—Olive Branch Lodge I. O. O. F., No. 51, made a fraternal visit to New York Covenant Lodge, No. 38 of the same order, on Thursday evening. All were well pleased with the reception given them.

—Rev. J. W. Lee, a Local preacher of New York, conducted service in the Methodist Church last week. As a workman he addressed the workmen, his manner of conducting meetings proved attractive and fruitful.

—The Rhetorical Exhibition of the Prima, at the German Theological School, will take place on Tuesday evening, March 25th, the last day of the winter term. It is not as yet decided whether the exhibition will be held in the German Church, or in the Seminary Lecture Room.

—Slater & Chew have just completed a handsome frame of walnut and gold moulding, for the Knights and Ladies of Honor Lodge, containing their charter, surrounded by the photographs of each of the twenty-one charter members. The size of the frame is thirty by forty inches.

—The subject of Dr. Richards' next lecture in the Seminary Course, on next Tuesday evening, is "The Age of the Great Land Animals, The Domestic Animals, The Fruit and Forest Trees, The Appearance of Man." Dr. Richards is followed by the Rev. Nicholas Bjerring, late Priest of the Greek Church in New York, on "The Greek Church."

—The First Presbyterian Church has engaged the services of Mr. Plume of Orange, as tenor singer. Mr. Plume is highly spoken of as having a very fine voice. There will be quartette choir singing every Sunday evening in the church. The choir consists of Mrs. H. W. Ballantine, soprano; Mrs. Hattie G. Oakes, contralto; Mr. Plume, tenor; Mr. Schouler, basso.

—Rev. Dr. Knowles, Presiding Elder of the Newark District Conference, assisted by his wife, gave some very interesting Bible readings in the Methodist Church on Wednesday evening. The services at the Chapel are still well attended, and new converts are being added at each meeting. The spirit manifested in the good work is greater than has been shown in Bloomfield in a long time.

—An increase of business and the spirit of improvement have caused Martin Brothers to seek larger quarters for their grocery business; they have therefore arranged to have the shoe-shop on Broad Street and the fancy goods store adjoining turned into one room, which will be connected with the store by an archway, giving them five nice show windows and a much larger store. The work will be commenced in about two weeks.

—Mr. H. H. Biddulph has gone to Florida for a few weeks on business. He will bring home for comparison a few mosquitoes from that locality. This is at the request of a friend who doubts the statement that they can outsize, outbite and do more blood extracting than our own native birds. He will also bring a live alligator—not a tame one, but one that can be trained to dine on a Town Committeeman if he gets a little crooked.

—The meetings at the Baptist Church are still attracting and successful. The Pastor, Rev. E. I. Simons, was assisted this week by Rev. Dr. Phillips on Monday. Tuesday evening Rev. Mr. Taylor, of East Orange, preached an interesting sermon. Wednesday evening Rev. Dr. Vassar, of the South Baptist Church of Newark, addressed the meeting, and Rev. Dr. Platt, a traveling Evangelist of the Baptist Church, assisted in the service.

—The somewhat celebrated Evangelist, the Rev. Frederick von Slmbach, preached last Sunday evening in the German Church. Mr. von Slmbach was formerly a rationalistic sceptic, but was converted a few years ago, and now with great zeal preaches the faith which he once destroyed. His significant text was, "We trust in the living God, who is the Savior of all men, specially of those who believe." He addressed the Young Men's Society of the church after the service, and sang a solo with a rich melodious voice.

—The boundaries of the several Election Districts may be of interest at this time. The 1st District embraces the territory south of the Midland Railroad and west and north of the centre line of Linden Ave., from the Montclair line to Glenwood Ave., through Glenwood to Bloomfield Ave., to 2d River and to Belleville line, with place of voting at Library Hall. The 2d District, all of the Township north of the Midland Railroad, with place of voting at the old School-house. The 3d District, all south and east of the centre line of Linden Ave., and to 2d wood; to Bloomfield Ave., and to 2d River; to the Belleville line, with place of voting at the Ice-house on Bloomfield Ave.

A Typographical Error.

To the Bloomfield Citizen: In your article in issue of 1st inst., on "Vital Statistics" you give the death of per thousand as 33.65 for the township of East Orange. Your types have made a slight error, as the figures should be 13.65. This correction will agree with your subsequent deductions. Please correct and oblige. E. M. COWDREY, Assessor. East Orange, March 4th.

The Citizens' Primary Meeting. Pursuant to a call signed by sixty prominent citizens of all parties, a meeting was held on Friday evening in Catholic Union Hall on State St., to nominate a ticket for Tuesday's election. We give below the ticket as finally formed.

CITIZENS' TICKET.
(For Judges of Election.)
1st Dist. Wm. Colfax.
2nd. " James W. Baldwin.
3rd. " John Hall.
(For Clerks of Election.)
1st Dist. Edward Westlake.
2nd. " John Durr.
3rd. " Edward F. Farrand.
(For Township Clerk.)
Edwin A. Kayner.
(For Assessor.)
Joseph K. Oakes.
(For Collector.)
Alex. C. Marr.
(For Commissioners of Appeal.)
James C. Beach.
John Sherman.
Phineas J. Ward.
(For Surveyors of Highways.)
Joseph K. Oakes.
Horace Pierson.
(For Overseer of the Poor.)
Joseph Stevens.
(For Justices of the Peace.)
Wm. Ellor.
Horace Pierson.
(For Constables.)
George M. Cadmus.
James Foster.
F. E. G. Darling.
Richard J. Maxwell.
Benjamin F. Baldwin.
(For Township Committee.)
Wm. A. Baldwin.
Wm. B. Corby.
N. Harvey Dodd.
Joseph Carter.
M. A. Dailey.

Appropriations.
For Support of Poor . . . \$2,000
Contingencies . . . 8,000
Roads . . . 5,000
Crosswalks . . . 300
Public Grounds . . . 500
Water Contract . . . 4,500
To Pay for Fire Hose and Pipe on hand . . . 400
For General Fire Purposes . . . 1,000
Construction of Sidewalks . . . 1,000
Firing Salutes on National Holidays . . . 50

The attendance was large and orderly and the hall was well lighted and decently warmed; in marked contrast to the Library Hall meeting on Monday evening. Mr. C. M. Davis called the meeting to order and Mr. J. V. Gallagher had a great deal to do with the pleasantness of the occasion. The ballot showed one hundred and twenty-four votes as the result of the deliberate, well-considered action of the meeting, but in the showing of hands the number was somewhat larger.

—The rank and file were on hand as well as many citizens who are not at all in the habit of attending political caucuses. Good feeling pervaded and a bright little speech of Mr. J. V. Gallagher had a great deal to do with the pleasantness of the occasion. The ballot showed one hundred and twenty-four votes as the result of the deliberate, well-considered action of the meeting, but in the showing of hands the number was somewhat larger.

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"Devils" or "Departed Spirits."
To the Bloomfield Citizen: In your last issue B. B. Cadmus asks the writer for his authority for rendering "devils" in 1 Tim. 4:1 "departed spirits." We are always glad to give a reason for any assertion we make, and find a good deal of satisfaction in learning that THE CITIZEN has readers who are not willing to accept statements without proof.

The word translated "devils" in the passage referred to is "Daimonion," the genitive case is the plural of "Daimon," which is the same as our English word Demon. The Greek word properly translated "Devils" is "Diabols," as in Rev. 12:9. Webster says, "In the New Testament the word devil is frequently and erroneously used for demon." The latter word appears to be popularly considered as synonymous with devil, but this was not the case with the Greeks and heathens generally, who regarded them as middle powers and mediators between the sovereign gods and mortal men.

Perhaps we can give no better authority for our rendering than Bishop Newton, who argues the case at great length. Regarding Hesiod as "one of the most ancient of heathen writers," he quotes him as saying that "after the generation which lived in the first and golden age of the world were dead, they were, by the will of Jupiter, promoted to be demons, keepers of mortal men, observers of their good and evil works, givers of riches, etc." Plato says: "The poets speak excellently, who affirm that when good men die, they attain great honor and dignity, and become demons." Ammonius reckons two kinds of demons, souls separated from bodies, or such as had never inhabited bodies at all. These latter demons may be paralleled with angels, as the former may with canonized saints; and as Christians believe that there are good and evil angels, so did the Gentiles that there were good and evil demons." He then considers the objection that the word is very generally used in the Scriptures to denote evil spirits, and gives a few examples to prove the contrary as sometimes true. "When Paul was at Athens . . . certain philosophers of the Epicureans and of the Stoics encountered him, and charged him with being a setter forth of strange gods (of strange demons) because he preached unto them Jesus and the resurrection." St. Paul, in his first epistle, thus exhorts the Corinthians, "Flee from idolatry. The things which the Gentiles sacrifice, they sacrifice to demons, and

not to God; and I would not that ye should have fellowship with demons. Ye cannot drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of demons. Ye cannot be partakers of the Lord's table and of the table of demons." The heathens worshipped Apollo, Venus, and numberless other beings, who were reputed demons, but who were properly deceased men and women deified. As St. Paul here foretells that Christians in the latter times should attend to doctrines concerning demons, so St. John also foretells (Rev. 9:20) that, notwithstanding the plagues of the Arabian locusts and of the Euphratean horsemen, yet they should not repent of the works of their hands, that they should not worship demons, where the word is plainly used in the same sense as by St. Paul; for Christians never actually worshipped devils, but they worshipped demons, deceased men and women and angels.

Thomas Scott, commenting on this passage in 1 Tim. 4:1, says: "This apostasy would be effected by men's hearkening to false teachers, who would be influenced by 'seducing spirits'; and thus they would embrace 'doctrines of devils' or demons and adopt such notions about the souls of the dead as would introduce the worship of saints as intercessors, and of angels as spirits superior to men, though inferior to God."

Very much more might be written to the same effect, but we must forbear. We cannot help the conviction that these passages condemn the tenets and practices of modern Spiritualism quite as much as they do any other false doctrine, and that no severer thrust could be given them.

The more thoroughly we examine into the real meaning of this word the more wonderful must appear the fulfillment of the prophecy in which it occurs.

J. A. BALDWIN.

Bloomfield, Mar. 3, 1884.

The Water Pipes.

To the Bloomfield Citizen: Noticing the water pipes had not been distributed on Montgomery Street below Oakland Avenue, I asked one who was supposed to know when such distribution would be made further east on that street, and to my surprise was informed that they were "not to be laid on Montgomery Street any further east than Oakland Avenue." This I can hardly credit. It certainly does not seem probable that in the very general distribution of the water pipes through the town this important thoroughfare is to be left entirely out in the cold, or in the heat, if a fire gets started.

On Montgomery Street, between Oakland Avenue and New Street, and on side streets within about 250 feet of Montgomery Street, there are several six buildings (houses or barns). Forty-four of these are on the section east of William Avenue or within a distance of about 1,200 to 1,500 feet, making one of the most thickly settled portions of town.

Surely there is greater need of and justification for running the pipes along this street than along many where I have seen them laid.

A fire on this street would sweep the houses of men who have not the means to build again, and the loss would be severely felt. Then, too, property owners there pay considerable tax, and are entitled to more consideration than they seem to have received, if I am rightly informed as to the Town Committee's plan in this matter. Not owning any property myself, in the section referred to, I do not speak of this from personal considerations, but simply in the interests of justice, and hope it will lead to a correction of this apparent oversight.

EAST END.

A Very Sad Bulidie.

At an early hour yesterday morning Mr. Dancer, the newsman, noticed a light in Madison's butcher-shop, and saw Mr. Madison pacing the floor. At about 5.45, if we are correctly informed, Mr. Dancer forced open the door and found the body of Mr. Madison hanging by a rope to one of the hooks; it was still warm, but lifeless. Mr. Madison had repeatedly threatened to take his own life, but no one suspected that he ever meant to do so. County Physician Hewlett examined the body, and said that death was produced by strangulation. He gave it as his opinion that Mr. Madison's mind was affected; this is not at all unlikely, as his business affairs have lately been in very bad shape, and it is said he had been drinking heavily.

Mr. Madison was born in Montclair, about 46 years ago; has been in business in Bloomfield for 18 years.

Fun at a Cake Walk.

We gave a brief mention in our last issue, of the Colored Church Fair that took place last week. The colored people who have been holding worship meetings lately in the Old School-house, Morris Neighborhood, thought it would be a good idea to give their faithful leader a little financial lift, by holding a fair, and arranging for a cake walk, something always very popular with the colored folks. The sympathy of the white people of the neighborhood was enlisted and they contributed cakes, candy, fruit, etc.

Mrs. Robert Madison furnished about a bushel of patty-cakes, and confessed in each one was a miniature china toy doll. It was as good as a dose of tonic to the white ladies and gentlemen who stopped in during the evening, to see the snapping, dancing eyes, white ivories, and hear the genuine hearty laughter of the colored folks, old and young, as they munched on the cakes and brought forth the images. Here is a description of the "Cake Walk" taken from a N Yapper.

At a signal from the Rev. Mr. Jenkins, who was master of ceremonies, the spectators formed a circle on the floor. Mr. George Young, a mahogany-colored gentleman who wore white kid gloves, black clothes and a flaming red necktie, had for a partner Grace Johnson, ravishing in green silk, cut decollete. She carried white roses. Skell Hall, of slender build, immense in yellow kids and a sky-blue tie, promenaded with Chloe Cluster, who wore a very low-necked blue silk dress, Clarissa Waterhouse was bewitching in pink silk and black lace. Mr. Young and Miss Johnson kept on the even tenor of their way, and at the finish of the contest she took the cake and he got the fancy cruller. Then a natty young lady, Miss Loma Sullivan, took the second prize cake in another walking contest, and Miss Coe, a petite ebony lady, walked off with the "style prize cake," while Mr. Thornton got the "dude cake."

BALLOTS.

Mr. Moses in New York sells oleomargarine. Mr. Moses in New York, it is also plain to be seen, is prominent grand director of the next big Purim ball. So that all the impure butter don't seem to impure him at all!

If any one wants to "steal a March," he is welcome to the one which has just come in like a roaring billy goat.

No wings have they, yet they fly—Snow-balls.—Exchange.

No guns have they, yet they shoot—Trees.

It is said that every human being is accompanied through life by a good and a bad angel, who strive for mastery over him. How lazy some persons' good angels seem to be.

Brain work is said to be very bad for the teeth. This is the explanation of dentists' bills. The merit of this joke lies in the fact that it takes a minute or two to take it out.

The winds blow high, the winds blow low, Each day brings storms of sleet and snow—

And to our warmest wraps we cling, Tell me, my soul, can this be spring?

"Well! well!" said old Mrs. Grump, laying down the paper, "they say 'Arthur can't carry the State of New Jersey.' Do they think because a man's President he can walk off with such a load as that?"

The next time you eat a raw oyster pause to remember that "the dainty part is a heap of glycogen with which is associated its appropriate digestive ferment, the hepatic diastase." It is a great thing to eat oysters understandingly.

In an interview with Madame Patti the other day, Gov. Crittenden of Missouri unexpectedly kissed her, giving as an excuse that "he couldn't help it," and (governors take notice) the *diva* accepted the excuse. Thirty-nine States remain to be heard from—including the state of matrimony.

In England they touch up harness with phosphorus paint to make it shine by night. It appears to us that several dark old war horses are being pointed up by the different papers. Even Mr. Tilden has his jingling bridle on. It will be phosphorus before election, but we sadly fear it will be brimstone—as a disinfectant only—afterward.

"Say, is that tagger tame?" asked a small boy of an attendant at the menagerie.

"Not particularly, but he loves little boys," was the reply.

And the cherub's future brother-in-law retired behind the kangaroo's cage to weep, because the poor tiger couldn't get a chance to show *how* he loved little boys.

"What kind of a boarding house is that you're at this winter, Jones?" "Brown stone—English basement." "No! not that—you don't understand me. Is it a satisfactory boarding house? Do they keep a good table?" "Well, nothing extra. It's only imitation black walnut, and very skaky in the legs."

"Come, Jones, you're too sharp. Joking aside, do you get the comforts of a home there?" "Well, yes; just about the comforts of a home for the Friendless, but I should say not quite as much attention as they give a home for Inebriates." And then Brown walked off, convinced that the Lenten diet of fish had not only developed but stimulated the brain of Mr. Jones.

It may be said, almost without qualification, that true wisdom consists in the ready and accurate perception of analogies. Without the former quality, knowledge of the past is uninteresting; without the latter it is deceptive.—Archbishop Richard Whately.

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